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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
Koshimizu et al. ) Group Art Unit: 1765  
Serial No.: 09/665,940 ) Examiner: L. Umez Eronini  
Filed: September 21, 2000 )  
For: Plasma Processing Apparatus and )  
Plasma Processing Method )

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In a restriction requirement dated February 26, 2002, the Examiner required restriction under 35 U.S.C. § 121 between Group I, consisting of claims 1-11 and Group II, consisting of claims 12-22. Applicants provisionally elect to prosecute Group II, claims 12-22 drawn to a plasma processing method.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

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